



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3763 Examiner: Aamer S. Ahmed

RESPONSE TO

ELECTION REQUIREMENT

AND 2nd PRELIMINARY

AMENDMENT

September 22, 2006

In Re PATENT APPLICATION Of:

Applicants

Xiping WANG

Serial No.

10/553,749

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For

SAFETY SYRINGE

Attorney Ref.:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS

Responsive to the Election Requirement dated September 7, 2006, applicant elects the Group A shown in Figures 1-6 for further examination. Claims 1-4, 8, 11, and 15 read on the elected species. The election is made without traverse. Applicant maintains the right to filing a divisional application with regard to the non-elected species.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

Please charge any further fee to or the passit Account No. 18 17 18